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## LOCAL

Mrs. Ida Cole of Allegan is a guest at the H. A. Cole home this week.

Mrs. Addie Hunt is entertaining a grandson from Aurora, Illinois this week.

E. D. Sirrine and family of Jackson are spending a two weeks vacation in Paw Paw.

Mrs. Harry Pepper of Detroit is a guest of Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Hoyt this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nash are visiting the Stoughton family in Kendall this week.

Miss Josie Van Auken is entertaining a schoolmate, Miss Custer, of Mendon this week.

Several Paw Paw couples motored to South Haven last Saturday evening and enjoyed dancing at the Casino.

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Maxwell are entertaining her sister, Miss Margaret Stevens of Dowagiac this week.

Mrs. J. Dudgeon of Chicago has been the guest of Miss Wells and Mrs. Layton on St. Joseph St. for the past week.

The Boy Scouts will meet at the Hall Tuesday night, September 2nd, at 7:30 o'clock. Every Scout take notice.

Leo Warner and wife, who have been enjoying a three weeks vacation started for their home in Detroit on Monday last.

Miss Mary Howe, who has been attending summer school in Kalamazoo is the guest of Paw Paw relatives and friends this week.

A. O. Duncombe started for Montana on a business trip the first of this week. He expects to be absent for several months.

Mrs. H. W. Barr went to Chicago the first of this week where she will spend several days with her husband who has been called there on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Niel Chappell entertained her sister, Mrs. D. H. Patterson and children of Chicago this week. They motored through from the city.

James Raymond and wife and son Earl, Mrs. Jessie Raymond and daughter Ruth and Miss Emma Keifer motored to Three Rivers Sunday and spent the day with George Raymond and family.

There will be a special meeting of the Coterie club on Wednesday afternoon, September 3rd. There is business of importance to come before the club and a large attendance of the membership is earnestly requested.

Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson entertained a company of Paw Paw friends together with Dr. and Mrs. Curtis of Benton Harbor, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Welch of Grand Rapids at their Pugsley's Lake cottage one day last week.

Mrs. Zilpha Ferguson entertained at a delightful dinner party one evening last week, Dr. and Mrs. Loren Curtis of Benton Harbor, Mr. and Mrs. Will Welch of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson, Miss Bettie Barr and Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Wakeman and son Wynn.

W. M. Kirkwood was in Galesburg last Friday to attend the services incident to the dedication of a monument to Major General William R. Shafter. Mr. Kirkwood is one of the survivors of General Shafter's division and says that Galesburg will remember the dedication for generations to come.

St. Joseph will celebrate Labor Day this year the same as usual. There will be two big bands with concerts day and night. There are plenty of places for enjoyment and amusement, notably at Silver Beach, for dancing, bathing, bowling and skating and other natural attractions. There is no reason why all should not have an enjoyable time at this well known resort, the Coney Island of the west.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Cole motored to Chicago to spend the week end with Mrs. Cole's relatives there.

Earl Coon and wife from New Lebanon, Illinois are guests at the home of G. W. Farr near Pugsley's Lake.

The Sewing club of the L. O. T. M. will meet with Mrs. Ed Bailey Wednesday afternoon, September 3rd, at 2:30 o'clock.

Dr. F. A. Racette has returned from a two weeks auto trip through Canada and is at his office again ready for business.

Walter Van Tassell and wife and Miss Helen Plumb were guests of Frederic Culver and wife of Gliddenburg Tuesday evening.

Miss Julia Conklin of Manchester Michigan is a guest during Chautauqua week at the home of her cousins Mrs. Olivia Woodman and Miss Mac Laren.

Advertised Letters—F. M. Harrington, Miss Garnette Jones, David Keckler, Odie T. Kirchwell, C. B. Marshall, Mrs. Alice Mitchell, George Opalewski, Mrs. Elsie Shafer.

William L. Millman was born in Livingston County, New York on December 27th, 1850 and died at his home in Waverly, August 21st, 1919, aged sixty-eight years, seven months and twenty-four days. For several years he had been a patient sufferer from tuberculosis. He was an exemplary citizen, possessing that uprightness and integrity of character which is universally respected. He leaves a brother, John G., a sister, Mrs. Almira McFarlin, nephews, nieces and many friends to mourn his loss.

The largest loss ever suffered by a single fire in Arlington township, resulted from the burning of three large barns on the Jesse Winne, Fred Strackangast and Fred Mauk farms. The buildings on these three large farms are rather close together. Threshers were at work in the Strackangast barn when the fire was noticed in the Winne place. The Winne barn contained twenty-five tons of hay and oats from twenty-five acres, waiting to be threshed. The origin of the fire was supposed to be spontaneous combustion and in five minutes a fire fanned by a strong north wind carried to the Mauk barn some twenty yards away, also filled with hay and grain in the bundle and the blaze then jumped to the Strackangast barn. The threshing crew got their machine out of the barn, but contents were lost. The loss is probably \$25,000, partly covered by insurance. Jesse Winne is the heaviest loser, his loss including all his tools, 25 tons of hay, 300 bushels of wheat 2 acres of oats with no insurance, while his building cannot be replaced for twice the amount carried on it.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Grashorn are feeling very grateful for the safe return of their three sons from overseas, the youngest one having been discharged or rather released from the Navy about a week ago. The second son Robert, was the first to enlist while at the University of Wisconsin in June 1917. He entered the Hospital Corps and crossed right after New Years 1918, the Fula Hospital Corps operating right back of the front lines. The oldest son Leo, enlisted in the 32nd Engineers and was the next to cross, spending the greater part of the sixteen months overseas near Bordeaux, France. He re-enlisted in the Air service and his company are expected to be sent to California to work there. The youngest son, Carl, entered the Navy the latter part of July 1918, and crossed on the Leviathan a few weeks later. He then served aboard the U. S. S. Canonicus operating with the Mine Squadron, one of the U. S. Atlantic Fleet in foreign waters, with bases at Inverness and Invergordra, Scotland, also working in the mining operations in the North Sea during the year 1918, from the coast of Scotland to the coast of Norway. After the Armistice was signed the U. S. S. Canonicus was fixed up for a transport on which Carl remained as a sailor until it went out of commission, crossing the Atlantic eight times.

Charles Waters, of Wyandette, Ill. was the guest of his brother H. C. Waters and family last week.

The field day of the Van Buren county Sunday School Association will be held on Labor Day, Monday, September 1st at Paw Paw.

Dr. J. K. Jamieson formerly of Paw Paw was calling on friends here this week. He was a former resident of Paw Paw and will be remembered by many.

Starting September 1st, the Idle Hour Theatre will be open every night in the week. Some especially fine features are on the program for next week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jacobs received a message on Tuesday stating that their son Leroy had arrived from overseas and is at a camp in New Hampshire. He was suffering with a broken arm and came over on a hospital ship. He is expected home soon.

A card from Rev. Percy Nickless, dated from Brandon, Wisconsin, dated August 25th, states that they are having an ideal time. He will be home some time this week and announces services at the Presbyterian church next Sunday at the usual hours.

Harvey Sherman who resides just east of town states that some careless auto driver drove into a flock of his chickens Wednesday morning and killed five of them. He will give a reward of \$10.00 for the name and address of the driver of the car that killed them.

Postmaster H. A. Cole announces the following Labor Day hours for service at the Postoffice: There will be no rural or city delivery and the various departments of the office will all be open for business until 9 o'clock in the morning and closed for the balance of the day. Rural and city patrons who desire their mail on that day must call at the office before the hour of 9 o'clock.

The True Northerner regrets the omission of the following local from the columns of last weeks issue:—A message received in Paw Paw on Sunday last contained the sad announcement of the death of Mrs. Charles Whitman in a hospital in Chicago. Deceased will be remembered as Miss Lottie Showerman. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Emory Showerman and was born during the time that Mr. Showerman was sheriff of Van Buren county. She grew to young womanhood in this community and graduated from the local schools, where she was a general favorite among her companions. She had hardly reached the prime of life, being forty-three years of age, but had been in failing health for a number of years. The remains were brought to Paw Paw where the funeral was held from the home of her sister, Mrs. R. W. Broughton on Tuesday afternoon, Father Bishop of Dowagiac officiating and interment was in Prospect cemetery. A host of local friends join in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved husband, sisters and brothers.

The Van Buren County Fair Association has appointed Leslie Scott, Sr., of Arlington as general superintendent of all live stock for the coming fair. He is in Paw Paw this week attending chautauqua and interviewing the stock growers and intending exhibitors, on the importance of an exhibit at the fair this year. The prevailing prices for stock and their products should be an encouragement to stock raisers to develop and stand behind the great animal industry as never before. The liberal prizes offered this year and the various new features in amusements should make the fair surpass all its predecessors. He suggests that the magnificence of the Van Buren county vineyards this year should be an inducement for a special display of grapes at the fair. He suggests a huge tower of grapes in the center of the fruit section at the fair. The increasing popularity of the coming fair is being manifested every day now by the increased demand for show room and concessions so far in advance of the opening date. Mr. Scott states that an admission of 25 cents will again prevail this year. Full details will be announced later in advertising space in these columns.

Will Bryar, of Dowagiac, was the guest of Paw Paw friends over the week end.

Mrs. Arminta Spicer entertained a number of Lawton friends on Tuesday of this week.

The L. O. T. M. Sewing Society will meet with Mrs. E. M. Bailey next Wednesday p. m. September 3rd.

Mrs. Belle Hayward will leave next Monday for Kalamazoo where she expects to remain for the winter.

The Misses Frieda and Viva Lyle, of Decatur were week end guests of their cousin Miss Evelyn Mosier.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Bailey and children of Dansville, Iowa, are the guests of their parents east of Paw Paw.

John Wilson is back at work in the Waters Hardware store after enjoying a ten days motoring trip through Northern Michigan.

Ernest Cook who has sold his farm north of Mattawan is planning to return to England, which country will be their future home.

Paul Broughton of Lansing is spending a vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Broughton this week.

Miss Ruth Radtke, who is a clerk in one of the banks in Chicago, is spending a vacation at the home of her parents east of town.

Harry Ayars is recovering quite rapidly from the serious accident to his foot some weeks ago. He will soon be able to discard the crutch.

E. M. Bailey has purchased a home for his family in Detroit and will be here next week for the purpose of packing and moving to that city.

James Ayars and sister Lucy were taken to the hospital in Kalamazoo last Saturday where their tonsils were removed. Both are rapidly recovering from the operation.

E. V. Root, Commissioner of Schools announces the following teachers meetings for the purpose of passing out supplies, reading circle books, etc. at the following places: Gobleville school building, Friday, August 29th, 10 o'clock. Bangor school building, Friday, Aug. 29th, at 2 o'clock. Hartford school building, Saturday, August 30th, 10 o'clock. Paw Paw, Court House, Saturday, August 30th, 2 o'clock.

The local friends of Homer Smith will have an opportunity to see him in action again in the ring after an absence of several years. Homer has been matched to meet Andre Anderson, heavyweight champion of Camp Grant at the Armory in Kalamazoo on Labor day, next Monday night. While Homer was in training at Camp Custer, he met Anderson in a ten round bout at Camp Grant, and was given a draw in newspaper decisions. He kept in training during the period of army service and had several bouts while in France. Since his discharge he has been in active training at the Floyd Fitzsimmons camp in Benton Harbor and is ready for the fight of his life next Monday night. Both men will enter the ring well over the 200 pound weight mark and boxing fans of Kalamazoo and vicinity are anticipating a battle royal when this pair come together. For the semi-final in the Monday night card, the Kalamazoo Athletic managers announce, Sammy Flager, the 118 pound champion of the Great Lakes Training station against Ritchie Smith of Detroit. Both boys are top notchers in their class and able to put on one of the fastest and most clever exhibitions ever witnessed in this section. Two preliminaries will be arranged with fast clever light weights, making a boxing program of thirty rounds of fast clever boxing. In view of the fact that one of the contestants in the main bout is a Paw Paw boy, this section of the county will be well represented at the ringside when the gong sounds for the first bout next Monday night. Homer is credited with a total of forty bouts. Of these he won 28, lost 2, no decisions, 3; exhibitions, 4; draw, 3. Of his victories, 16 were won by the K. O. Emerson Dickerson of Grand Rapids will referee the bouts.

The Christian Sunday School Baseball team defeated the Covey Hill boys in a good game of ball last Saturday by a score of 9 to 8.

John Latshaw and daughter Carrie of Chicago will arrive on Monday next for a few days visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Latshaw.

The next meeting of the O. E. S. will be held on Wednesday evening, September 3rd. All officers are especially requested to be present as a rehearsal will take place.

John Ryden, who resides near Lawrence, seems to be the champion wheat grower in this locality. His wheat crop this year averaged thirty seven bushels to the acre. As the average wheat yield in this section of the state is around twenty bushels to the acre, Mr. Ryden's crop is indeed exceptional.

The failure of Capt. Nielsen, the aeroplane artist, to put in an appearance at the Chautauqua last Sunday was indeed a serious disappointment to the patrons of the Chautauqua and the management as well. However, the pleasant attitude of the people in this disappointment will be rewarded on Friday and Saturday of this week at which time, we are pleased to announce, Major Benedict will be in Paw Paw. Mr. Benedict is a trained aviator of vast experience and will give exhibition and passenger flights on these two days. This will be the first aeroplane that has ever visited Paw Paw and will undoubtedly be greeted with a large throng of people. The opportunity to obtain a close-up view of one of these wonderful machines is surely worth going miles to behold. Remember the dates—Friday and Saturday, August 29th, and 30th. See adv. on page five of this issue.

The 10th, annual Paw Paw Chautauqua opened on schedule time last Saturday afternoon and it has been a week of genuine pleasure, instruction and recreation. The general opinion prevails among the Chautauqua patrons that the program this year as a whole, is at least the equal of any ever presented during a chautauqua week. The music has been high class, and the lectures more than satisfactory. As one of the chautauqua patrons stated to the writer, Mr. Holladay can always be depended upon to give the people a first class program. It would be impossible to single out any special "high lights" among the lecturers, as each was excellent of its kind. With the possible exception however of Dr. Amaury Mars. The dramatic description of this sneakers three years experience in a German prison of the nights spent in a dungeon, while awaiting execution, during which time his hair became as white as snow; his thrilling escape after dragging his two personal guards, and killing six other prison guards, made a story of intense and dramatic interest. The same may be said of the music. All has been good of its class, but Ewing's overseas band stands out in a class by itself. "The biggest little band I ever heard" was the universal comment. The vocal selections by Miss Huntley and Sergeant Bailey were encored again and again. The platform manager U. G. Lacey, made a hit from the first. His plain unassuming ways and genial manner, his brief announcements and close attention to details necessary to the success of the week, all combine to make in him an ideal platform superintendent. The sale of season tickets has not been up to expectations, but the single admissions have been greater than heretofore. The program closes today. The Welsh Ladies Choir furnish the prelude in the afternoon, and the entire program for the evening. Dr. H. V. Adams will speak in the afternoon, "Grapes of Gold" is the subject of his address. He is said to have a "mind as keen as winters mind" and "patriotism as hot as prairie fire" and a "delivery like a Kansas cyclone." The Welsh Ladies with the exception of the band, are the highest salaried musical organization of the week. This talent should make the closing day one of the best of the entire week. Further comment on the talent and on the future of the Paw Paw Chautauqua will be made next week.

Miss Marian Mutchler and brother Harley attended the wedding of a cousin in Allegan on Tuesday.

Miss Inez Page, of Hartford, visited Miss Racheal Bailey last week.

Mrs. Edwin Reeves is visiting relatives and friends, in Chicago this week.

Mrs. Alice Bacon visited relatives in Marcellus and South Haven this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Wilkey of Lawton were guests of Paw Paw friends and attended the Chautauqua on Sunday.

Douglas Hindenach received his discharge from the U. S. Navy at Pittsburgh and returned home Tuesday.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Avery has been critically ill. The little one is improving, however, and is now considered out of danger.

Mrs. W. A. Updyke, of Kansas, who has been the guest of Mrs. Joseph Reed for the past week, left on Saturday last to visit friends in Ohio before her return to her home.

Mrs. Burr White was quite seriously injured when an auto in which she was riding turned turtle last Friday. She was taken to the home of her sister, Mrs. Eli Irey in this village.

Miss Mabel Anthony, who has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Miller for some time, returned to Holland where she will resume her work as teacher in the schools there.

All soldiers, sailors and marines are cordially invited to attend a smoker and social session of The McGowan Post, Wednesday evening, September, third, at 8:00 o'clock, Memorial Hall.

Mrs. Lotie Blackman and daughter Pearl, of Los Angeles, California, and Hiram Blackman and family of Hills dale, Michigan are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cole on Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. M. B. Geddes left Saturday for Valparaiso, Indiana for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. D. Darby. She also spent a few days this week in Chicago, examining the prevailing styles in fall millinery.

Capt. Lynn Lake has been discharged from military service and is at the home of his parent for a vacation. He has seen many months service at Camp Grant and his local friends are much gratified at his promotion to the rank of captain.

The Hartford Day Spring this week clearly defines the complications of the detours in the vicinity of Hartford. The route as shown by the detour signs have been very confusing and annoying to motorists and the Day Spring very credibly explains the situation. The article follows:—"The detour east and west of Hartford, where the new concrete road is under construction, appears to be causing no end of trouble for tourists. Many of them from the east detour to the south, but instead of continuing west they turn at Spaulding's corners south of town and come to the village—only to find that they must go back again to reach the Berrien county roads. Motorists from the west do the same thing. At times the village seems fairly filled with "lost" drivers who do not know where to go. This week Highway Commissioner Borst has placed new signs at the Spaulding corners which are diverting more of the traffic over the designated detours, but there are still a number of motorists who apparently do not believe in signs and who come to the village to inquire. The road east of town has not been wholly impassable as yet, despite the grading that has been done, and a number of drivers have plowed through the soft roads east and west rather than to follow the detours. Work of laying the concrete west of the village is nearly completed from the Arthur Vanderlyn farm to the county line, and this section of the new road is progressing quite satisfactorily. It is predicted that the road to the Berrien county line will be opened to traffic in the early fall. East of town the grading is well under way, but this section of the road probably can not be completed this year.